

**Minutes of the May 5, 2008, Meeting
Newington Amateur Radio League (NARL) – The Amateur Radio Club of
Connecticut’s Capital Region**

NARL Vice President Hal Chase, N1URW, opened the meeting at 7:04 PM. Paul Gibson, N1TUP, was introduced as the evening’s speaker on the subject titled “Secrets of Your Telephone... and more in everyday language.” Paul is an AT & T Network Technical Consultant, and he provided interesting explanations, stories and answers to questions during his presentation. Thank you, Paul!

NARL President Mary Hobart, K1MMH, joined the meeting. At 8:07 PM, the club’s business meeting began with a welcome to all and introductions. 46 persons were in attendance.

The Secretary’s minutes from the April meeting/open house were accepted, and the Treasurer’s report was also accepted. The club’s checking account presently has \$1,949.98.

\$500 for the NARL Scholarship has been funded by separate donations by club members. Thank you! This scholarship will be awarded to Joshua Rivera, a Newington High School Senior during the May 8th Awards Night at the school. Mary Hobart, K1MMH, will be making the presentation on behalf of the club.

An update on the NARL Hamfest was received. The club will sponsor a “drop and shop” table to enable the club to raise some money for next year’s scholarship fund.

Ethel Kramer, KB1NMO, announced details of upcoming club-related public service activities. On May 18th, the Newington Library is sponsoring a 5 K road race around town. On May 24, the Newington Memorial Parade will be held and we are asked to provide communications. On June 7, the scouts will be holding its annual “SWAMP” event at Mill Pond (Scouts Weekend At Mill Pond). NARL has been invited to set up a demonstration station on that Saturday afternoon.

Jonathan Hardy, KB1KIX, announced the Angel Ride on May 24 to benefit the children’s hospital. Hams are needed to help with communications.

The Special Projects committee is planning upcoming events surrounding Field Day and a build-a-thon. Stay tuned to the newsletter for details.

George Lillenstein, AB1GL, announced upcoming ARES-related public service events on May 18, May 24, and June 7. NARL members are invited to participate.

At the June NARL meeting (on June 2), there will be an “all hands on deck” NARL Fest preparation meeting.

By June 1, please sign up for the NARL-sponsored bus trip to Boxboro on Saturday, August 23. Rich Lawrence (KB1DMX) and Rose-Anne Lawrence (KB1DMW) are coordinating.

Thanks to Mary Hobart, K1MMH, for providing refreshments. The meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Ewald, WV1X, Secretary